FISCAL NOTE

SB 3147 - HB 3259

February 22, 2000

SUMMARY OF BILL:

- Authorizes any county to impose a tax on transfers of real property.
- Requires the tax rate to be less than or equal to 18 cents per \$100.
- Requires approval by 2/3 vote of the county legislative body at 2 consecutive regularly scheduled meetings or approval by a majority number of qualified voters of the county voting in an election on the question of whether or not the tax should be levied.
- Exempts from the tax instruments made pursuant to mergers, consolidations, sales or transfers of substantially all of the assets in this state of corporations, pursuant to plans of reorganization.
- Provides that the maximum tax that could be assessed is \$100,000.
- Provides for an effective date of January 1, 2001.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase Local Govt. Revenues - Exceeds \$1,000,000/Permissive

Increase Local Govt. Expenditures - Not Significant/Permissive

Estimate assumes the following:

- The total increase in local government revenues cannot be determined; however, if 10 or more of the counties imposed the tax at an average rate of 9 cents per \$100, the increase in local government revenues is estimated to exceed \$1,000,000.
- For information purposes, the total amount of revenue collected by the state in FY 98-99 on the state realty transfer tax at 37 cents per \$100 of recorded value was approximately \$73,300,000.
- Any increase in local government expenditures to collect and distribute the tax is estimated to be not significant.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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